Easing of Banking Security Laws

2661. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to ease the banking security laws;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) the need for this measure?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) to (c) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that while there is no change proposed in the cases relating to creation of securities, the recently enacted Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 enables banks and financial institutions to enforce the security interest without any legal hurdles. In terms of Section 13 of this Act any security interest created in favour of any secured creditor may be enforced without the intervention of the court or tribunal by such creditor in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Act and also Security Interest (enforcement) Rules 2002. To further smoothen the exercise of this right, Section 20 of the Act provides for setting up of the Central Registry by the Central Government. One of the transactions required to be registered with this Registry relates to creation of security interest which will enable secured creditors to know the priority of charges.

NPA of IDBI

2662. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of NPA accounts in IDBI;

(b) how many have had their outstanding dues settled so far; and

(c) the stipulated guidelines for the settlement?